

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending. Claims 1 and 4 have been amended. Claims 5-7 has been added. The specification has been amended to correct informalities noted by the Examiner. No new matter has been added.

The drawings stand objected to as failing to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p)(5) because FIG. 1 includes a reference character ("1") not mentioned in the description. A corrected FIG. 1 without reference number 1 is submitted herewith. Therefore, the objection should be withdrawn.

The drawings stand objected to as unclear due to an inconsistency between conical angles α_1 and α_2 shown in FIG. 2b and the specification. The specification has been amended to correct in the inconsistency. Therefore, the objection should be withdrawn.

The specification stands objected to because of various minor informalities noted in Paragraph 4 of the Office Action. The specification has been amended to correct the informalities. Therefore, the objection should be withdrawn.

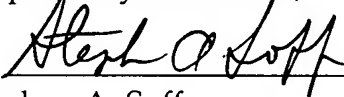
Claims 1-4 stand objected to because of an informality in claim 1. Claim 1 has been amended to correct the informality. Therefore, the objection should be withdrawn.

Claims 1-4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 1 and 4 have been amended to address the concerns expressed in Paragraph 7 of the Office Action. Therefore, the rejection should be withdrawn and the claim allowed.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's acknowledgment that claims 1-4 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the § 112, second paragraph, rejection addressed above. The claims have been so amended. Therefore, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for immediate allowance and respectfully requests that it be passed to issue.

Dated: April 18, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

By  _____

Stephen A. Soffen

Registration No.: 31,063

DICKSTEIN SHAPIRO LLP

1825 Eye Street, NW

Washington, DC 20006-5403

(202) 420-2200

Attorney for Applicant